

comprising in order a fabric layer, a compressive layer and a surface printing layer, with said sheet-like blanket being bonded to an outer surface of said seamless sleeve by means of a thread layer spirally wound on an adhesive elastomer layer.

PP (concluded)

10. (Amended) The cylindrical printing blanket according to Claim 8, wherein said thread is spirally wound on said sleeve mounted on a cylinder, said cylinder having a diameter of from 0.05 to 1.0% smaller than the diameter of a printing press cylinder upon which said printing blanket is to be mounted, with the diameter of said sleeve being equal to or slightly smaller than the diameter of said cylinder.

REMARKS

Claims 8 and 10-15 remain pending after amendment.

Claim Amendments

By this amendment, claims 9 and 16 are cancelled. The limitations of cancelled claim 9 are added to claim 8. No new matter is added by this amendment.